YAMHILL COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING
DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1978, 7 p.m.
PLACE: First Methodist Church, 1405 Deborah Road, Newberg
(Proceed to east side of Newberg via Highway 99, pass the Safeway Shopping Center, turn left on Deborah Road)
POTLUCK: Bring your own service and lots of good food.
PROGRAM: David and Beverly Fendall will present the history of the Rogers-Fendall family of Chehalem Valley.

After a lazy summer for all, we now settle down to gathering our pioneer history.

Our Society took part in the Heritage Days' three-day Centennial Celebration August 4 - 6 during which the Museum was open all day. We had a display in the parade and many visitors came by during these days.

Tourists and vacations bring many visitors.
We had a vacancy in our rental and much repair work had to be done to prepare it for another tenant.

Many thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Dyer, Portland members, who donated the refill to our guest book. By September it will be completely filled with visitors' names from all over the U.S., Canada, Australia, England and Alaska. Many of these visitors either grew up in Lafayette or had grandparents who lived here.

The Willamina school reunion was a huge success -- thanks to Jean Bett and Marian Holm and their aids. There were 10 tables that represented 10 schools that had been "Old Country Schools" and had long since become city consolidated.

Much local history was generated in these rural locations and the Historical Society is gathering these facts for a book. There were 101 rural schools in this county at one time. Who can tell us where they were? Who taught these schools and who were the pupils?

We also need pictures for copying.

Our new building will be opened in September and now holds many old hand tools and machinery. Much work needs to be done to arrange articles. Help us if you have time and love these old things. They are fast leaving the farms so help search for and preserve them.

Ernest Shelburne, with the help of the county truck, moved the two large columns from the front of the old court house, the rail that had been
large mumias from the front of the old court house, the full that had been
at the front of the court room with its two gates, and other small articles.
These had been stored in the county barns.

We have lots of the "OLD YAMHILL" book at the Museum, and also packages
of stationery. They make good Christmas gifts.

Visit your Museum. It's like looking through Grandmother's old trunk.
We are open every day except Monday, 1 to 4:30 p.m., until September 10.

ROMA SITTON

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BRING A GUEST TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, TO OUR MEETING.
Let them learn about the history of the Rogers-Fendall family
of Chehalem Valley.
A reunion of former students and teachers of the rural schools that once flourished in the Willamina area was held July 30. It was a huge success and must have been one of the largest school reunions ever held in Yamhill County. Over 300 people were present.

From an historical stand-point it was a real bonanza. The Yamhill County Historical Society now has the history of all the Yamhill County rural schools which consolidated with the Willamina Elementary school, plus pictures of each school except #99 Crossett.

School districts represented at the reunion were #37, Buck Hollow; #57, Highland; #58, Hillcrest; #60, Riverside; #69, Pop Corn; #79, Fendall; #85, Rock Creek; #97 Pig Tail; #99, Crossett, and #100, Toutena Mary.

Mrs. Marian Krake of Dayton, who is 92 years old, was the oldest former student present, having gone to Buck Hollow in 1901. Her memories of the school and life on a homestead at the turn of the century are priceless.

The Yamhill County Historical Society owes Jean Bett a real debt of gratitude for organizing and carrying through this huge project. She spent many, many hours on it and even had a booklet ready for sale before the event on the material she had gathered from former students and teachers.

RUTH STOLLER

THANKS TO YOU ALL

During McMinnville’s Turkey-Rama in July, an Historical Society booth was manned at both the U.S. National and the First National Banks.

Memberships, books and stationery were sold and information disbursed about the levy to people who stopped by.

Thanks to those who worked in the booths. They included Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lietz, Charlie Teegarden, the Charles Berry's, Roma Sitton, the Chester Halls, Mina Redmond, Pat Miller, Ed Roghair, Florence Bridenstine, Alma Brace, and Eleanor Greiner.

SEE YOU SEPTEMBER 12 in Newberg.

ELAINE ROHSE

At a recent meeting of your Board of Directors, an effort was made to plan meeting places for the entire coming year. Although the schedule is tentative and subject to change should meeting places not be available, it calls for the October meeting to be held in Amity; November in Sheridan; December in McMinnville; January in Dayton; February in McMinnville; March in Dundee; April in Yamhill, and May in Willamina.